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Larry Hood et al.

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BY THERMAL MEANS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The applicants would like to file the following Preliminary Amendment
for the above-entitled patent application:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-10.

Please add claims 11-21 as follows:

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- 1 11. (New) A thermokeratoplastic tip that can be inserted into a cornea,
 - 2 comprising:
 - 3 a stop; and,
 - 4 a tip that extends from said stop between 300 and 600 microns.

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